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NEWS OF THE WEEK

Warriner for Penitentiary—Lamphere Confesses—Bad Blizzard—British Election Returns—Great Ice Gorge.

SLEPT 105 DAYS:—Death last Sunday ended the sleep in Pittsburg of Mrs. Kate Mendlesohn, who has been unconscious for 105 days. She was found in that state one night after the baby had fallen out of bed, and there is nothing else to account for her strange condition except a theory that she was scared by its fall. The infant was not injured.

GETTING HIGHER UP:—The sugar frauds investigations in New York are going merrily on, and the indictments are beginning to reach the men higher up. During the last week there have been six men indicted, each on four counts. All these men are more important than the clerks who first suffered, and among them is the treasury of the company. It is pleasing to notice that at the same time the trust has been investigating itself, and has issued a statement saying that it is innocent.

WARRINER IN PEN:—C. L. Warriner, the Big Four treasurer who embezzled over \$600,000, is in the pen at last. He has a sentence of six years to serve for \$3,000 worth of his large peculations.

REFORM IN NEW YORK:—True to our predictions, there is some startling business reform taking place in New York City while the police and social reforms needed are not turning up. Mayor Gaynor is ignoring Tammany in appointing fiscal officers, and the men are cutting the expenses of the city government almost in two. Some of the economies are pretty small, but they are spectacular, and they are advertising Mr. Gaynor very nicely, thank you.

LAMPHERE CONFESSED:—A full confession of Ray Lamphere has at last been made public. It shows that he chloroformed the Guinness woman and children for the purpose of robbery, being aided by a negro woman. Neither intended to commit murder, but in some way the house caught fire while the victims were still under the influence of the drug, and they were burned to death. This confession also settles the question of whether Mrs. Guinness died or escaped.

BAD BLIZZARD:—There has been another tremendous snow storm and blizzard thru the North and East, of which we have got only the fringe here. The storm was worst in New York, where fourteen inches of snow fell, it was impossible to get milk into the city for a day or two, and fresh eggs and such things practically disappeared from the markets. Nine people were frozen to death, and even the mayor had his ears frozen while trying to get to his office. It will cost the city of New York \$800,000 to get the snow off the streets, and they are in a hurry about it too, for it costs them thousands every day that it lies there. Chicago suffered almost as much, and it was towards the close of the second day before the milk trains could get into the city.

PLEASE DON'T DIE HERE:—This is the substance of an appeal which has recently been issued by German hotel keepers to their guests. This is not the only country in which there are hard times, and in Germany a good many people have taken to committing suicide. Somehow they seem to prefer to go to hotels for the purpose, and so the hotel keepers have issued an appeal asking all people who intend to commit suicide to go some where else to do it.

SWOPE MYSTERY:—A mysterious death which may have been a murder, is now being investigated in Kansas, and several Kentucky people are involved. The man who died was Col. Swope, formerly of Woodford County, and many times a millionaire. It is alleged that he was planning to change the will which disposed of these millions, and that some of the heirs wanted to get him out of the way before he could do so. One of the lawyers in the case said that a white powder was found in the Colonel's stomach, and that there is conclusive proof of poisoning. If that is the case warrants will certainly be issued soon.

MODEST JOHNSON:—Jack Johnson, who is to fight Jeffries on July 4 for the championship of the world, is a modest man. He has just announced that he wants ex-President Roosevelt to referee the scrap. Teddy has not yet been heard from.

WALSH LOSES:—Jno. R. Walsh the Chicago millionaire recently convicted of violating the Federal banking laws, and sentenced to the penitentiary for five years, and who has

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REVIVAL PLANS

The Rev. Mr. Buzwell To Begin Services in Chapel on Jan. 30—Preparatory Work Will Be Done As Usual—Good Results Hoped For.

The Gospel meetings under the leadership of the Rev. James O. Buzwell announced in the last issue of The Citizen have been more definitely arranged. They will begin on Sunday morning, Jan. 30th. The first meeting will be held in the Union Church taking the place of the regular morning



Rev. Jas. O. Buzwell, Evangelist.

ing service. All subsequent meetings will be held in the College Chapel.

Mr. Buzwell is expected to arrive in Berea, Saturday, the 29th. He is just closing a series of meetings in Sidney, Ohio, where his work has been blessed.

Mr. Buzwell has been in Berea twice before and is known as a man of strong religious faith, of winning personality and sincerity which commands confidence. He has also conducted meetings in other colleges of the state.

The mid-winter Gospel meetings have come to be a valued feature of Berea life and every effort is being made to make the most of this opportunity. The ladies of the Union church will district the town and see that a house to house canvas is made and a card of invitation, with hours of daily services and other useful information, will be left at each house.

Altho these meetings are held under the auspices of the Union Church and the College and the expenses are provided by them jointly, other churches are cordially invited to cooperate and the pastors are asked to sit on the platform at all the services. Converts are free to join the church of their choice.

By way of preparation the Rev. A. E. Thomson will conduct a class of workers in the use of the Bible and in personal work beginning with the coming Monday evening, in Room 80 of the Chapel building at 6:45 o'clock. This class is open to citizens and students without regard to church lines and those who attend are requested to bring paper and pencil.

The music for the meeting is under the charge of Prof. Rigby. The Harmonia Society is expected to occupy the platform. Special musical features will be provided for the evening meetings. Appropriate song books will be secured containing some of the newer songs. Preceding the preaching service there will be a short song service of about fifteen minutes.

Mr. Buzwell is peculiarly happy in his afternoon talks to Christians, and it is desired that as many as possible attend. An hour will be selected that will be convenient for citizens and college workers and announced later.

Every effort will be made to make possible the attendance of as many people as possible. Provision will be made in one of the side rooms of the chapel for the care of children in order that mothers may attend. People from the country are specially invited to come.

PRES. FROST WRITES ABOUT BRITISH ELECTION.

Dear Friends in Kentucky:

England is to have a general election of members of Parliament this month, and it is a very instructive thing for me to be an onlooker.

The "Liberal Party" has been in power with Mr. Asquith as Prime Minister. Here the Prime Minister who is appointed by the King, must always be a member of the party which has most votes in the House of Commons.

The Liberal "platform" has four planks, or pledges of things it will do if it gets a majority in the next House of Commons.



The College Chapel where the revival meetings will be held.

No wise man takes the word of another man in a deal in which he knows the other is interested, unless he knows the other fellow is a remarkably honest man. Yet many men are doing just that thing with newspapers. They know nothing about the men who are running the papers, except that they are in politics, and yet they take the word of just those fellows on political matters. Why not use the same sense in taking a newspaper that you do in other things, and get one that you know is unprejudiced—like The Citizen?

WHERE THE PINCH COMES.

There are a great many things which we all know ought to be done, but which still somehow never seem to get accomplished. Every one knows that they are just the thing to do, and wants some one else to do them, but none of us seem to have time to tend to them ourselves.

For instance—the roads are horrid, and we all know, and there is in this part of the country only one thing necessary to make them good thru all seasons of the year. That is work. All of us have work to spare, but some how those roads never get repaired very much. A little work is done now and then, to be sure, but the roads stay bad. But any one will spend half a day at the store talking about how bad the roads are. If that time was only put in on the roads, they would not need so much talking about.

There are other things. The hillsides are wearing out, and the farmers are realizing that they do not get as good crops as used to come off their fields. I have heard men discuss the matter by the hour—and then go and plant in the same old way the next spring. Now, every man knows that scientific methods are taking the place of the old farming, and that as a result in some places common land has been made to produce 100 bushels of corn to the acre. In the state of Wisconsin the average yield has been raised from about twenty bushels to over thirty-two, just by the application of the first principles of scientific agriculture. If the farmers would read up on this and then practice it, they would double their wealth in a few years. It is not the land so much as the methods that need reforming. The time spent in discussions at the post office if properly used would turn the trick.

And so it goes. Every where the needs are standing out, and we discuss them by the hour, and maybe make a feeble attempt or two to correct them, and then say we can't, we have tried and know. Ain't it awful, how feeble we men are, any way, when we are only half waked up on a question. We ought to take lessons from the young lady of this story.

The young lady was much wanted by a certain young fellow, but didn't seem to want him.

"Are you sure you cannot love me?" he asked.

"Sure," replied the girl, "I have tried and tried."

"My rich aunt has just died," the boy said by way of turning the conversation.

"Maybe I could try again," remarked the girl.

I'm willing to bet she succeeded that time. And I'll bet, too, that the reason there is not more progress made by some people, and by some communities, too, is because they have not got waked up to the fact they really need to progress. When they get in the place of the young lady, and try again, they will win.

There is a rich aunt for all of us in good roads, and better schools, and a hundred other kinds of improvements that we are letting wait because we are too lazy to tackle them. Let's wake up!

CHANGE THE TAX LAWS.

There will be very few bills before the present state legislature of more importance than the one to change the tax system of the state. No law in Kentucky is more out of date, and none has caused more of the present poverty of the state, and the weakness of the public schools, than the tax law. As it stands today, it does not produce enough money for the needs of the state, and yet it places intolerable burdens on the business interests on which the state must depend for its prosperity, and particularly on the farmer and other owners of real estate. At the same time it allows several kinds of property, which can be easily hidden, to entirely escape taxation. Finally, it imposes a double burden on poor men, who are indebted, such as men carrying mortgages. In method of collection, too, the system is bulky and expensive, and the results have certainly been bad, as can be seen by any one who will take the trouble to look at the present business condition of the state.

Gov. Wilson appointed a tax commission which has just made a report bringing out all these points, and recommending a system of taxation based on those in use in the twelve leading states of the Union which have been proved most successful. The system provides for the dividing of the property into several classes, and allowing each kind of taxing body to levy on only one kind of property. The state, for instance, will have real estate, the counties, personal property, and the cities franchises and mortgages. This may not be the classification used, but that is the plan. Each piece of property would be taxed only once.

It will be of the utmost benefit to the state if this law can be adopted. It will encourage the investment of money here, the building up of savings banks, will help business, lighten the tax burden by bringing some kinds of property out of hiding, and work for justice, fairness and equality all around. If you have any influence with your member of the legislature, it will pay you to advise him to vote for the law. You will have a chance at it yourself later, as the law will have to be submitted to the people for a vote as a Constitutional Amendment.

I. It proposes a new "budget" or list of taxes, increasing the tax on liquor and saloons, and taxing land, incomes, and inheritances in new and heavier ways. This is claimed will raise more money for public uses, and lay the burden on those most able to bear it.

II. To "disestablish" the Episcopal Church in Wales. This seems just for the Welsh people do not like the

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Banking Business

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INTER-SOCIETY DEBATE

Phi Delta for the first time in four years on Friday night won the annual senior debate with Alpha Zeta. The question debated was Provided that the election be held under Federal control, RESOLVED: That a constitutional amendment should be adopted providing for the direct popular election of United States senators. Phi Delta won on the negative side of the question, generally admitted to be the weaker, while Alpha Zeta unsuccessfully supported the affirmative.

The winning society was represented by Letcher P. Gabbard of Owsley County, Jesse Baird of Garrard, and Arlie McGuire of Morgan, all of Kentucky. Gabbard had the rebuttal. Alpha Zeta was represented by Lester Hill of Berea, Tracy Tuthill, of Riverhead, Long Island, and Samuel Grathwohl, of Cincinnati.

There is decided poetic justice in the fact that this, the first defeat Alpha Zeta has suffered in four years, should have been administered by mountain boys. There was at one time recently in that society a clique of boys from the North joined with a few sons of the hills who tried to disown their parentage, and this among other mischief, found time to give the impression that mountain boys were not wanted in Alpha Zeta, in spite of the fact that it had been for years the one society where mountain boys were most welcome. To those in the society who have opposed this tendency, it gives a sort of grim pleasure to see defeat inflicted by some of the very boys who were driven out by this clique.

The debate was attended by an audience which numbered nearly a thousand, and the athletic fund will be considerably helped as a result. As usual there were no attractions outside the debate, the custom of having music after each two speeches and during the decision of the judges, not having appealed to those in charge.

The judges were Prof. McClellan of Richmond, Prof. Smith of Danville, and Prof. Rumold, Col. Duncan of Lexington, who had expected to be present was detained at the last minute. The decision of the judges was supposed to be based on a marking of 75 for perfect thought and 25 for perfect delivery and English. It will be seen from the subjoined summary however, that at least one of them departed from this rule. Following is the average marking which each speaker received:

	Thought	Delivery	Total
		and English	
Affirmative			
First speaker	57	19	76
Second speaker	58	20	78
Third speaker	55	19	74
Rebuttal	52	27	79
Total			307
Negative			
First speaker	55	17	72
Second speaker	68	26	94
Third speaker	63	19	82
Rebuttal	63	21	84
Total			332

P. D.'s advantage 25

This is the largest margin of advantage which any winning team has had in recent years.

It is worthy of note that there was the greatest possible divergence

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IN OUR OWN STATE

Bradley Wins—Barker Head of State University—Another Tobacco Fight—Crabbe To Resign.

BRADLEY WINS:—After fighting over it for nearly a year, Senator Bradley pulled down his first plums last week when two nominations were sent to the Senate on his recommendation. They were those of Ludlow F. Petty, Sen. Bradley's secretary, to be Collector of the Port of Louisville, and of A. L. Patrick to be U. S. Marshal for the Eastern District. It is also promised that T. A. Fields of Ashland will be appointed Collector of Internal Revenue at Lexington. It is worth remarking that these appointments are causing some surprise, as some of the men displaced incurred Bradley's anger merely because of their stand for Taft in the last campaign.

TO SUCCEED CRABBE:—The reports that State Supt. Crabbe will resign at the close of the present legislative session continue. It is now suggested that County Superintendent L. N. Taylor of Pulaski will be appointed by the governor to fill out the un-expired term.

ROBERTS WINS:—The Lexington Gazette, an afternoon paper started there three years ago with the avowed intention of "putting the Leader out of business" has at last been forced to the wall. It has become evident that Sam Roberts is too strongly entrenched in the hearts of the citizens of Lexington to be driven out, and his victory is a marked personal triumph.

HEAD FOR STATE UNIVERSITY:—The committee which was appointed to select a new President for State University has fixed upon Judge Henry Barker of Louisville, and it is understood that the trustees will confirm the selection. Close friends of the judge say he will accept.

FORGERY CHARGED:—Bryant Newby of Madison County, is under arrest at Richmond on a charge of forging a marriage certificate in Lexington, to marry a fourteen year old girl.

ANOTHER TOBACCO FIGHT:—It is beginning to look as if the old fight between the Society of Equity and the Burley Tobacco Society would break out afresh as soon as possible. At a recent meeting of the A. S. of E., a resolution was passed advising members not to sign pooling agreements "in other societies" till next summer. This is the way the last fight started, and promises fun in the future. The plans for the next year's pool are well under way, but the failure to sell this year's crop is likely to make it very hard to get signers.

GREAT ICE GORGE:—Property worth nearly \$2,000,000 is in danger from an immense ice gorge which has formed at the mouth of Wolfe Creek, above Louisville. The gorge is over seventy-five miles long, and the danger is that if it lets go suddenly there will be terrible damage done all along the line below it. This will include the shipping in Louisville, and the houses in the low lying lands there. The U. S. government has passed a rush appropriation bill for \$5,000 to be used in breaking up the gorge slowly, so that no damage will be done, and work will begin at once.